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For: Transforming Growth Factor Alpha HIII

**REPLY WITH AMENDMENTS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115 AND  
PROVISIONAL ELECTION WITH TRAVERSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.143**

**MS Amendment**  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 15, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks and election. Applicants note the present response is timely submitted on Monday, October 16, 2006 (as October 15, 2006 was a Sunday). Applicants submit concurrently herewith an Information Disclosure Statement with Form SB/08 citing references A-AF.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

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